

**REGULAR MEETING
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MAY 8, 2007 – 3:00 P.M.
TRIBAL OFFICE BOARDROOM**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call: CHAIRMAN Eugene Caldwell called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Roll Call was taken with a quorum present. Members present: Dave Corn, Todd Every, Rick Warrington, and Yvette Ducane. Members absent: Kenneth A. Fish, Pat Corn, Dave Grignon and Betty Jo Wozniak.
2. Moment of Silence. A moment of silence was observed.
3. Approval of Minutes dated February 16, 2007 and April 10, 2007.

MOTION MADE BY TODD EVERY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES DATED FEBRUARY 16, 2007 AND APRIL 10, 2007. SECOND WAS BY DAVE CORN. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION SIGNIFY BY SAYING AYE. MOTION CARRIED: 2 FOR, 0 OPPOSED, 2 ABSTENTIONS (DUCANE AND WARRINGTON) AND 4 ABSENT (FISH, P. CORN, GRIGNON AND WOZNIAK).

4. Nii Win Home – Rental Options.

The Committee received a letter requesting to rent the home the Tribe owns in the Crandon area by non tribal members. Last year at this time, the Sokaogon Chippewa Health Center requested to rent the home for one of their programs but the lease was never finalized. The Housing Department has more experience in accepting applications, doing background checks, collecting rental monies and upkeep of the property.

Dave Corn noted for the record that we have our own tribal members living in that area. They should be aware that the Tribe will be considering this. The Committee determined that more direction is needed from the Legislature before the committee can make a decision.

MOTION MADE BY DAVE CORN TO RECOMMEND TO THE LEGISLATURE TO ASSIST THE COMMITTEE ON WHAT DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE HANDLING THIS REQUEST, WHERE THE RENT MONEY WILL GO AND WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MAINTENANCE. SECOND WAS BY RICK WARRINGTON. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION SIGNIFY BY SAYING AYE. MOTION CARRIED: 4 FOR, 0 OPPOSED, 0 ABSTENTIONS AND 4 ABSENT (FISH, P. CORN, GRIGNON AND WOZNIAK).

5. CTH VV Cooperative Agreement.

Todd Every informed the committee that there is already an agreement that transferred the money into a 638 contract and the Tribe has also approved the cost share for this project.

This agreement states the scope of work, the responsible parties, the reporting processes and that Menominee County will maintain the road once it has been accepted as completed. Mr. Caldwell pointed out that the wording “Work’s Compensation Act” does not sound right. Mr. Every will check on this and if this needs to be corrected then it will be corrected before he sends it to the Legislature.

MOTION MADE BY YVETTE DUCANE TO RECOMMEND TO THE LEGISLATURE TO APPROVE THE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR CTH VV RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT – PHASE 1. SECOND WAS BY DAVE CORN. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION SIGNIFY BY SAYING AYE. MOTION CARRIED: 2 FOR, 0 OPPOSED, 2 ABSTENTIONS AND 4 ABSENT (FISH, P. CORN, GRIGNON AND WOZNIAK).

6. Fairgrounds/Woodland Bowl Improvements.

Todd Every informed the Committee that he met with the Pow Wow Committee and there were requests to improve the facility area.

Mr. Every is requesting a meeting with all concerned parties to develop a scope of work for the area.

7. Ordinance 86-16 Scavenging and Dumping – Review and Recommendations.

Wayne Wilber-Solid Waste/Recycling Coordinator informed the Committee that the Ordinance needs to be amended. There have been conflicts with the general public about taking large scrape metal objects from the transfer site. Individuals are going to the dumpsters and removing items and there are a lot of sharp, rusty items as well as the large items located in these dumpsters. This situation generates a liability issue with safety concerns.

Also, if the ordinance can be amended, it would assist the department to keep the Menominee Tribe in compliance with Federal and State regulations in regards to items containing Freon and other CFC's.

MOTION MADE BY TODD EVERY TO REQUEST THAT THE GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REVIEW ORDINANCE 86-16, ESPECIALLY THE PORTION OF SECTION 4(a) THAT ALLOWS SCAVENGING OF LARGE ITEMS, WITH THE RECOMMENDATION THAT THIS PORTION BE DELETED FOR SAFETY AND LIABILITY ISSUES. SECOND WAS BY RICK WARRINGTON. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION SIGNIFY BY SAYING AYE. MOTION CARRIED: 4 FOR, 0 OPPOSED, 0 ABSTENTIONS AND 4 ABSENT (FISH, P. CORN, GRIGNON AND WOZNIAK).

8. Recreational Lease Policy Revision.

MOTION MADE BY TODD EVERY TO TABLE THIS ITEM UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING. SECOND WAS BY YVETTE DUCANE. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION SIGNIFY BY SAYING AYE. MOTION CARRIED: 4 FOR, 0 OPPOSED, 0 ABSTENTIONS AND 4 ABSENT (FISH, P. CORN, GRIGNON AND WOZNIAK).

9. Land Use Plan – Revision: Review and Discussion.

Todd Every informed the Committee that there was a motion dated December 7, 2006 from the Legislature to update the Land Use Plan. The department needs to gather existing data such as roads, maps, utilities, sustain yield, County land, Tribal land, etc in order to update and amend the current Land Use Plan. The last time that this document was updated was sometime in 1984.

For the next meeting, maps will be provided to get an idea of where we should start. The Land Use Plan Revision will remain a standing agenda item.

10. Energy Policy.

Llewellyn Boyd informed the Committee that at the end of April, a letter was submitted to Ms. Lizana Pierce, Manager for the Department of Energy/Tribal Indian Energy division in Golden, CO requesting technical assistance. The department has not received a response from her office.

Mr. Boyd also presented an energy statement along with a feasibility study final report dated June 2005 on Renewable Energy Development on Tribal Lands that was developed by Distributed Generation Systems with DISGEN concentrating on Wind Energy Assessment; Biomass and Co-Generation Assessment; Low Head Hydro Application along with an energy audit conducted on the MITW Administration Building. The Committee will review this for the next meeting to develop an energy statement.

The Neopit Dam issue would be taken care of thru the redesign of the MTE entry.

There is a workshop that will be held in Denver, CO and this would be the perfect opportunity to learn about tribal energy programs and this would be something that the Tribe should attend. The Legislature will need to determine where the travel monies will come from and how many.

MOTION MADE BY DAVE CORN TO RECOMMEND TO THE LEGISLATURE TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO THE STRATEGIC ENERGY PLANNING WORKSHOP HELD ON JUNE 11-14 IN DENVER, CO. TO DETERMINE WHAT GOALS AND DIRECTION THE TRIBE WOULD LIKE TO PURSUE. SECOND WAS BY YVETTE DUCANE. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION SIGNIFY BY SAYING AYE. MOTION CARRIED: 4 FOR, 0 OPPOSED, 2 ABSTENTIONS AND 4 ABSENT (FISH, P. CORN, GRIGNON AND WOZNIAK).

11. Tribal School Request – Use of Pow -Wow Grounds during summer months.

Ron Bowen from the Tribal School was present to request use of the facilities above the Woodland Bowl to raise money for the Tribal School. The main issue to schedule fund raising events is that the BIA cut the school budget by 200,000.00 and this will have a significant impact on the athletics portion of the school curriculum.

It was recommended to charge \$100.00 each event to cover the cost of electricity, toiletries, garbage for the first two events. The recommended amount was to get a starting point to determine if the fee amount would be too little, too much and it could be adjusted after the two events.

MOTION MADE BY TODD EVERY TO RECOMMEND TO THE LEGISLATURE TO ALLOW THE TRIBAL SCHOOL TO HOLD FLEA MARKETS ON SATURDAYS DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS AT THE FAIRGROUNDS AT THE COST OF \$100.00 PER EVENT AND TO WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT TO WORK OUT THE DETAILS. SECOND WAS BY YVETTE DUCANE. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION SIGNIFY BY SAYING AYE. MOTION CARRIED: 4 FOR, 0 OPPOSED, 2 ABSTENTIONS AND 4 ABSENT (FISH, P. CORN, GRIGNON AND WOZNIAK).

Mr. Every will also develop an application for any future request for the Woodland Bowl/Fairgrounds.

12. Other Business.

Dyan Nickey was present to give the committee an update on her business project.

Todd Every will set up a meeting next week for the departments involved to meet with Ms. Nickey and her architect company to finalize the business lease along with any other questions that may arise from the discussions.

Mr. Every informed the Committee that a Resolution that was passed on the Legislative level will need to be submitted again due to wording issues.

13. Adjournment.

MOTION MADE BY DAVE CORN/TODD EVERY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Linda Peters, Recorder
Legislative Staff